

Minutes

Park and Recreation Board

May 28, 2013

Members Present: Hughes, Cooper, Gunion-Rinker, Harris

Absent: Baranick, Schaeffer, Councilor Miller

Minutes

April minutes were approved 4-0.

Elect Chair and Vice Chair

The group deferred the election of the Chair and Vice Chair until other members were present. Hughes suggested that members come to the next meeting with nominations.

Park Naming Request for Wichita Park

The group discussed the proposed name change for Wichita park which had been submitted by Lori Rose. The names she suggested were in memory of her son, Clifford Redding they included:

- TM3 Clifton W. Redding, U.S. Navy
- TM3 Clifton W. Redding, U.S.A. Veterans Memorial Park, or
- Redding Park

Herrigel noted that the Park Naming policy lists four main criteria for consideration when naming parks:

- Any person who has made a significant contribution to the City or community,
- A person, group, place or feature, particularly identified with the public land or facility or of historical or cultural significance,
- Geographic location (neighborhood, streets, etc), and
- Natural features or resources.

The group discussed the names proposed by Ms. Rose. After some discussion, they voted (4-0) to recommend that the park name remain Wichita Park in recognition of the Water District that previously owned the site and ran an office in this location for many years. They noted that they felt there was insufficient evidence that the new proposed names met the criteria.

Park Rules Discussion

This discussion was postponed until the June Park Board meeting.

Annual meeting with Council

Herrigel noted that the Park Board's annual meeting with City Council had been postponed until June 4 at 5:30 PM.

Park District Update

In Councilor Miller's absence, Herrigel reported that:

- The park district had allocated \$80,000 toward Milwaukie neighborhood Parks 2013-14
- The District has been engaged in discussions at the legislature and locally regarding changing the Governance structure of the Park District
- The City and the Park District have been discussing timing for ballot measure(s) that both are considering. Funds for completing the four remaining neighborhood parks are a main focus of this discussion.
(The group agreed that District governance was in need of modification – so that those making decisions for the District lived in the District.)

Project Updates

Kellogg for Coho: On May 21, Council postponed approval of a resolution approving a contract with Wildlands for completion of feasibility study on the Kellogg dam project.

Wichita Park: Herrigel is working on the final land use submittal for Wichita Park and hopes to submit it in June.

Other

Herrigel reminded members that the Down To Earth Day collection event would be held June 1 from 8 am to noon.

Gunion Rinker reported that the Ardenwald NDA had raised \$1500 for Balfour Park at their recent plant sale.

Hughes noted that he would not be present at the July Park Board meeting – as he will be on leave.